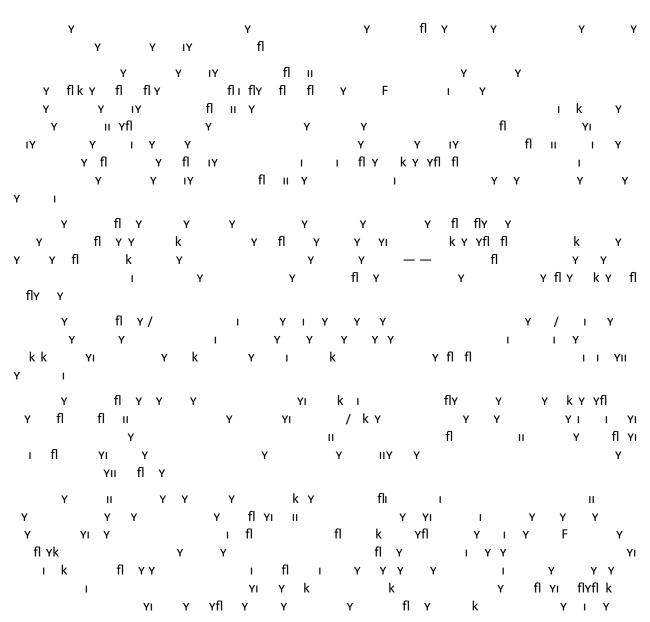
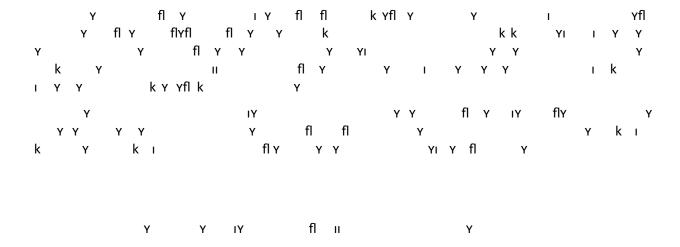


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Thank you very much for your interest in working for the Library of Virginia Foundation. In my five years at the Library, I have been humbled to help share the power of connecting individuals to their history and community through public programming, genealogical research, and experiencing the stories of the people, from all backgrounds, who helped shape not only Virginia, but the United States. I have seen firsthand a woman discover the name of a great grandfather that had previously been lost to her family, a man whose Library of Virginia experience launched him into a successful career as an author, chef, and activist, and an excited historian who was able to gain new insights into American history through the handwritten notes in the margins written by some of the people who helped found the Country.

The Library of Virginia is a public square, an educational institution, and a research center comprising the largest collection of materials relating to the history, governance, culture, and people of Virginia. Our collections, which include over 130 million items from Jamestown to today, provide unparalleled insight into where the American story began — in Virginia. The Library is a vital institution for those seeking to connect with their history at a trusted source: a place to preserve the past, collect the present, and share the promising future.

Founded in 1823, the Library tells the story of Virginia directly from the source. At the Library, you don't have to guess what the Founding Fathers thought — we can tell you using their own words. If you would like to know the story of what it was like for a freed slave to either move and keep his freedom, or stay with his still enslaved family, we have his words on the matter. If you want to see the diversity of the Commonwealth — whether it be in Arlington's Columbia Pike corridor, a college campus in Farmville, or Richmond's Jackson Ward Neighborhood, you can see them through our photography collections. Virginia's story is the story of America — the story of us all. We cannot understand our place in the world until we make sense of it.

In 2023, the Library celebrated its 200th anniversary with a series of activities including opening two special exhibitions "200 Years, 200 Stories" and "Indigenous Perspectives;" launching its statewide outreach vehicle — LVA On the Go, and digitizing one of the largest surviving collections of World War II separation notices. Now in our third century, the Library is looking towards the future and how we best serve people of all ages worldwide.

We will continue to be a hub for research and reflection on Virginia's important history and culture, especially as the nation prepares for its 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. We will also look for new and exciting ways to engage Virginia communities through our collections, education resources, exhibitions, and LVA On the Go.

The Foundation has begun an effort to raise significant private philanthropy to unlock our treasures, welcome visitors from across the Commonwealth and world, and sustain our future as a Library for All—offering the public greater connection to some of the Commonwealth's greatest treasures, creating a community commons to further engage individuals inside and out of our facility, and expanding access to everyone through digital first initiatives.

We are at a crossroads in our history, and in our nation — whether to be satisfied with the status quo or to leap into the 21st century by reimagining what we can do for our communities. With misinformation on the rise and new technologies changing the way we interact with our past and each other, we need an institution that can connect us to our history directly from the source and unite us all. The Library is ready to do more and be more than ever for the people of Virginia, and beyond. We invite you to join us at this exciting time!

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To apply for this position, visit: <u>Director of Leadership and Planned Giving, Library of Virginia Foundation</u>.

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